Undocumented Migrant Workers, Are They Worth Protecting?

For years, we have been finding solutions to lessen human exploitation. A lot of nations have been collaborating to find the most pragmatic solution and just policy for undocumented workers who are exported to other countries who may or may not have been aware of the nature of the work they will be undertaking and the circumstance they are about to face.

Sinclair James International Movement for Domestic Labor Reform, along with other non-profit organizations, have thoroughly discussed the rights and offenses made by undocumented migrant workers as there are a lot of complaints against them and there is also hostility and abuse that is incorporated with being illegal.

Undocumented workers are often thought of as individuals who take advantage of the benefits and causing unrest with native workers by taking the jobs that were intended for them. To protect their rights, we have to change their image and gain public support. Although this solution would seem easy to be accepted, a lot of cultures make it hard to associate support to people who are not their own. Take for example the people from the Middle Eastern countries which employ migrant

workers from Manila, Philippines, Jakarta, Indonesia and Sri Lanka. These workers are only seen as servants and the ties that bound them together through the Kafala System is what made them interact. The culture and religion is different so is their belief and tradition. Either convert them to the accepted religion or treat them as different.

Data and reviews are also important to keep them in their stead.

Policies in the fields of migration, employment, and social inclusion are often developed in the absence of concrete data about undocumented workers. As a result, many of these policies lose their effectiveness. Collecting both qualitative and quantitative data on undocumented workers is thus of upmost importance.

NGOs play a crucial role in setting a relevant research agenda and in overcoming the many difficulties of gathering essential information about undocumented workers, who tend to live in the shadows.

One of NGO's crucial roles is also to inform undocumented workers of their rights, which many are not aware of. As a consequence, countless undocumented workers do not file any complaints or challenge their employers if they are abused or exploited. Informing undocumented workers about their rights is at the core of lessening the number of abuse cases, since it is the first step towards ending the silent suffering of hundreds of thousands of undocumented workers.

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